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Missing Person Jack Cody and an Overdue Snowboarder Have Both Been Located

Flagstaff, AZ – Fifty-six year old Jack Cody of Leupp Arizona who was last seen at the Winona Shell Station on Monday afternoon has been located. Investigators learned Mr. Cody was transported to a medical facility on Sunday and was subsequently transported to a second medical unit where he is currently being treated.

Search and Rescue deployed 15 personnel and a Snow-cat to search for the overdue snowboarder last seen leaving the Arizona Snowbowl boundary at approximately 3:00 PM on Wednesday, January 20, 2010. Rescue teams searched on snowshoes and in the snow-cat in the areas outside the ski area boundary on the south side of Agassiz Peak. At about 2:00 PM the missing snowboarder walked to a Search and Rescue team in a snow-cat conducting containment on Friedlein Prairie Road. Another search team had discovered the subject's tracks in an area known as First Gully and was following them when he was located. The subject was transported to Flagstaff Medical Center for evaluation by Guardian Ambulance.

During the search the Coconino County Sherriff's Office was assisted by the Arizona Snowbowl and the Arizona DPS Air Rescue Unit.

Due to the heavy snowfall occurring on the peaks in a short amount of time the backcountry outside of the Snowbowl will have significant avalanche danger possible. We strongly recommend that backcountry travelers wait until the storm has ended before entering the backcountry and even at that time they should exercise extreme caution on avalanche prone slopes.



